



Docket No.: 60188-646

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re Application of | : | Customer Number: 20277 |
| Kazuhisa NAKATA, et al. | : | Confirmation Number: 7483 |
| Application No.: 10/656,199 | : | Group Art Unit: 2814 |
| Filed: September 08, 2003 | : | Examiner: Phat X. CAO |
| For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE | : | |

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to further examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows: